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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)**

Applicant in the above-identified application hereby petitions for a two-month extension of time to and including January 24, 2002 for responding to the Office Action mailed August 24, 2001. A Notice of Appeal accompanies this Petition.

- A check in the amount of \$ 400.00 is enclosed herewith.  
 The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 50-1017 (**Billing No. 210774.0040**) as noted below. A duplicate copy is enclosed.  
 Extension fee in the amount of \$ 00.00.  
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